

ELECTRICAL WORK EXAMINING BOARD

-MINUTES-

SEPTEMBER 12, 2014

The Regular Meeting of September 12, 2014 was called to order by Chairman Larry Vallieres at 8:35 AM in Room 126 of the State Office Building, 165 Capitol Avenue, Hartford, Connecticut.

Members Present: Laurence A. Vallieres, Contractor, Chairman
Ronald Bish, Contractor
Faith Gavin-Kuhn, Public Member
David Munsill, Journeyman
Bruce A. Silva, Unlimited Journeyman
John W. Yusza, Electronic Technician

Members Absent: Anthony Soter, Journeyman
Frank Halloran, Journeyman
Sandy Marino, Public Member

Member Vacancies: One (1) Non-Union Contractor
Two (2) Public Members

DCP Staff: Robert M. Kuzmich, Department of Consumer Protection

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Others Present: Brian Zeidman, Summit
Bob Woytowich
Scott Trudel

Joshua Bush, Lighting Retrofit Services
Brandon Houle, Wayne J. Griffen
Eduart Boci, Kostantino Electric
Marty Grant, Emhart Glass
Keri Lamontagne, Department of Labor

1. 8:30 AM call to order. (Reminder to everyone to place their cell phones on silent”).

Mr. Vallieres called the meeting to order at 8:33 AM.

2. Review Minutes of Previous Meetings:

A. A. Review minutes of meetings of the *July 11, 2014* and *August 8, 2014*.

After a thorough review by all, the Board voted to approve the *July 11, 2014* minutes as submitted. (Silva/Yusza)

After a thorough review by all, the Board voted to approve the *August 8, 2014* minutes as amended below by Mr. Vallieres. (Yusza/Gavin-Kuhn) Mr. Bish abstained from the vote because he was not present at this meeting. On page 2, Agenda Item No. 4, the first paragraph shall be changed, in part, to read “...the Department provide the Board with a Complaint Report providing them with an ongoing list of all open, closed, and dismissed complaints...”.

3. Comments or Concerns of any Person Present Today:

No one scheduled before the Board today. In addition, there were no additional requests from anyone present at today’s meeting.

4. Report from Trade Practice Division: for review by the Board.

Mr. Maloney gave the Board a report which covers the time period September 8, 2010 through September 8, 2014. Mr. Vallieres noted that on this report, the civil penalties assessed have been increased in proportion to the seriousness of the allegation. Mr. Vallieres was pleased to see the Department’s efforts in assessing and collecting these penalties.

5. Review of Applications(s) for Licensure Examination: applicant(s) appearing in person.

Mr. Vallieres advised all in attendance at today’s meeting of the Board general rules and guidelines as they apply to applicants appearing before them for consideration to sit for their respective license examinations. He made reference to the document sent to all applicants by the Department which details specific information the Board is expecting

from the applicants in support of their equivalent experience and training in addition to other more general information.

In addition, Mr. Vallieres also made reference to the Board's Outline for Journeypersons which gives the specific hours for related classroom instruction including course curriculums and the required on-the-job training hours for each license type.

(1) **Houle, Brandon W.** - E-2 applicant seeking approval on the basis of equivalent experience and training. The Board voted to approve the applicant for his respective examination type. (Bish/Gavin-Kuhn)

(2) **Boci, Eduart** - E-2 applicant seeking approval on the basis of equivalent experience and training. The Board voted unanimously to table this application based upon it being incomplete; specifically lacking proof of the required on-the-job training hours and the related classroom instruction hours. (Bish/Yusza). Further, the applicant stated that he has been working for the past eight years, unregistered with the Department of Labor as an apprentice, for Kostantino Electric Corporation located in Fairfield, Connecticut. As such, the Board voted unanimously, under a separate motion, to require his employer, Mr. Kosta Proskinitopoulos to come before them at their October 10, 2014 meeting to further discuss this application with them. (Bish/Yusza)

(3) **Grant, Marty J.** - E-1 applicant seeking approval on the basis of equivalent experience and training. The applicant changed his examination application type from a E-1 to E-2 at the suggestion of the Board at the today's meeting. The Board considered his E-2 application and voted unanimously to table the same based upon it being incomplete relative to his proof of both related classroom instruction hours and the on-the-job training hours. (Bish/Yusza)

After a thorough review of the requirements for an E-2 license type by the Board, the applicant accepted the Board's offer to retract their previous motion to deny the application and table the same to allow the applicant more time to assemble his documented proof these requirements.

(4) **Roseberry, Michael R.** - E-2 applicant seeking approval on the basis of equivalent experience and training. The applicant was not present, as requested, at today's meeting as requested. Therefore, the Board took no action on this application.

(5) **Schneider, Kenneth W.** - E-1 applicant seeking approval on the basis of equivalent experience and training. The applicant was not present, as requested, at today's meeting as requested. Therefore, the Board took no action on this application.

(6) **Trudel, Scott K.** – L-6 applicant seeking approval on the basis of equivalent experience and training. The Board voted to approve the applicant for his respective examination type. (Yusza/Bish)

(7) **Zeidman, Brian L.** – C-5 applicant seeking approval on the basis of equivalent experience and training. The Board voted to deny his C-5 examination application based on not holding a Journey person's license for two years. (Bish/Yusza) The applicant then changed his examination application type from a C-5 to C-6 at the suggestion of the Board. The Board considered his C-6 application and voted unanimously to table the same based upon it being incomplete relative to his proof of both related classroom instruction hours and the on-the-job training hours. (Yusza/Gavin-Kuhn) The Board requires more detailed information on these components including notarized statements where applicable.

6. First Review of Application(s) for Licensure Examination – Applicants Not Appearing before Board.

With Apprenticeship Completion Letters:

The Board voted, unanimously, to approve the applicants listed below (including additions), except as otherwise noted, to sit for their respective examinations on the basis of a Certified Apprenticeship Completion Letter from the Connecticut Department of Labor or other Board-Approved Agency. (Bish/Yusza)

With Apprenticeship Completion Letters:

1) **Alicea, Gabriel** – E-2 applicant seeking approval on the basis of Certified Apprenticeship Completion w/Letter.

(2) **Battista, Arnold J.** – E-2 applicant seeking approval on the basis of Certified Apprenticeship Completion w/Letter.

(3) **Bertin, Laurent R.M.** - E-2 applicant seeking approval on the basis of Certified Apprenticeship sponsored by Local Union #3 of the I.B.E.W. in conjunction with the New York City Chapter of N.E.C.A.

(4) **Bradley, Joseph W.** - E-2 applicant seeking approval on the basis of Certified Apprenticeship sponsored by Local Union #3 of the I.B.E.W. in conjunction with the New York City Chapter of N.E.C.A.

(5) **Burchell, Wayne A.** – E-2 applicant seeking approval on the basis of Certified Apprenticeship Completion w/Letter.

- (6) **Calabrese, Scott E.** - E-2 applicant seeking approval on the basis of Certified Apprenticeship sponsored by Local Union #3 of the I.B.E.W. in conjunction with the New York City Chapter of N.E.C.A.
- (7) **Carrasquillo, Alex M.** - E-2 applicant seeking approval on the basis of Certified Apprenticeship sponsored by Local Union #3 of the I.B.E.W. in conjunction with the New York City Chapter of N.E.C.A.
- (8) **Chaparro, Mabel** - E-2 applicant seeking approval on the basis of Certified Apprenticeship sponsored by Local Union #3 of the I.B.E.W. in conjunction with the New York City Chapter of N.E.C.A.
- (9) **Cruz, Ricky** - E-2 applicant seeking approval on the basis of Certified Apprenticeship Completion w/Letter.
- (10) **Kubicek, Thomas J.** - E-2 applicant seeking approval on the basis of Certified Apprenticeship sponsored by Local Union #3 of the I.B.E.W. in conjunction with the New York City Chapter of N.E.C.A.
- (11) **Longo, Vincent A.** - E-2 applicant seeking approval on the basis of Certified Apprenticeship Completion w/Letter.
- (12) **Madia, Matthew S.** - E-2 applicant seeking approval on the basis of Certified Apprenticeship sponsored by Local Union #3 of the I.B.E.W. in conjunction with the New York City Chapter of N.E.C.A.
- (13) **Morale, Salvatore J.** - E-2 applicant seeking approval on the basis of Certified Apprenticeship sponsored by Local Union #3 of the I.B.E.W. in conjunction with the New York City Chapter of N.E.C.A.
- (14) **Muffoletto, Anthony S.** - E-2 applicant seeking approval on the basis of Certified Apprenticeship sponsored by Local Union #3 of the I.B.E.W. in conjunction with the New York City Chapter of N.E.C.A.
- (15) **Perez, Santos W.** - E-2 applicant seeking approval on the basis of Certified Apprenticeship Completion w/Letter.
- (16) **Pizzuti, Ronald A.** - E-2 applicant seeking approval on the basis of Certified Apprenticeship sponsored by Local Union #3 of the I.B.E.W. in conjunction with the New York City Chapter of N.E.C.A.
- (17) **Valle, Justyn D.** - E-2 applicant seeking approval on the basis of Certified Apprenticeship Completion w/Letter.

(18) **Viveiros, Jared A.** – E-2 applicant seeking approval on the basis of Certified Apprenticeship Completion w/Letter.

On The Basis of Equivalent Experience and Training:

The Board voted, unanimously, to require the applicants listed below, except as otherwise noted, (including add-ons) to appear before the Board at their October 10, 2014, Regular Meeting for review of their applications to test for their respective license types. Mr. Kuzmich will mail back their original applications in addition to Board Meeting Date information and information regarding education and on-the-job training for Journey person license types. (Bish/Yusza)

(1) **Adams, David L.** – E-2 applicant seeking approval on the basis of equivalent experience and training.

(2) **Avila, Andrew F.** – E-2 applicant seeking approval on the basis of equivalent experience and training.

(3) **Baldyga, Ryan E.** – L-6 applicant seeking approval on the basis of equivalent experience and training.

(4) **Cianfrani, Anthony J.** – E-2 applicant seeking approval on the basis of equivalent experience and training.

(5) **Cook, Harold** – E-2 applicant seeking approval on the basis of equivalent experience and training.

(6) **Cordeiro, Jason** – C-8 applicant seeking approval on the basis of equivalent experience and training.

(7) **Franco, Paul J.** – C-8 applicant seeking approval on the basis of equivalent experience and training.

(8) **Haddad, Nicholas T.** – E-2 applicant seeking approval on the basis of equivalent experience and training.

(9) **Mejias, Angel R.** – C-8 applicant seeking approval on the basis of equivalent experience and training.

(10) **Nelson, Jonathan A.** – PV-2 applicant seeking approval on the basis of equivalent experience and training.

(11) **O'Connor, Thomas P.** – E-1 applicant seeking approval on the basis of equivalent experience and training.

(12) **Pavelko, Kresimir** – C-5 applicant seeking approval on the basis of equivalent experience and training.

(13) **Pavelko, Kresimir** – C-6 applicant seeking approval on the basis of equivalent experience and training.

(14) **Pavelko, Kresimir** – L-5 applicant seeking approval on the basis of equivalent experience and training.

(15) **Pavelko, Kresimir** – L-6 applicant seeking approval on the basis of equivalent experience and training.

(16) **Piselli, Jason B.** – E-2 applicant seeking approval on the basis of equivalent experience and training.

(17) **Santos, Matthew G.** – C-8 applicant seeking approval on the basis of equivalent experience and training.

(18) **Stewart, Brian T.** – C-8 applicant seeking approval on the basis of equivalent experience and training.

(19) **Vieira, Mario F.** – C-8 applicant seeking approval on the basis of equivalent experience and training.

7. Applicant(s) for Licensure reappearing in-person;

(1) **Bush, Joshua J.** – E-2 applicant seeking approval on the basis of equivalent experience and training. The applicant provided the Board with the documentation previously requested by them. As such, they voted to approve the applicant for his respective examination type. (Yusza/Bish)

8. Request for Reconsideration; none before the Board today.

(1) **Carr, Josh L.** – E-2 applicant seeking approval on the basis of Certified Apprenticeship Completion w/Letter. This applicant came before the Board on November 8, 2013 and the minutes as it pertains to this application are given below. The applicant provided the Board with a revised application showing his completion of the State's Apprenticeship Program for the E-2 Journeyman's License. As such, they voted to approve the applicant for his respective examination type. (Yusza/Bish)

9. Review of Correspondence:

(A) Evaluation Forms For Continuing Education Course; for the Board's review and information. The Board reviewed this information and thanked the Department for the same.

(B) Public Officials and State Employees Guide to the Code of Ethics; for the Board's information. The Board reviewed this information and thanked the Department for the same.

(C) State Apprenticeship Council 2014 Schedule of Regular Meetings Revised 08/26/14; for the Board's information. The Board reviewed this information and thanked the Department for the same.

(D) Connecticut Trainee Apprenticeship- Electric Sign C-8 - On the Job Training and Related Instruction revision of 09/03/2014; for the Board's information. The Board reviewed this information and thanked the Department for the same.

10. Old Business:

1. Mr. Bish updated the Board regarding his conversation with Mr. Richard Maloney regarding closed Complaint Case Number 2013-587 which was requested by Mr. Bish at a previous meeting. The Complainant appeared again on a subsequent complaint report given to the Board at a recent past meeting. The original complaint concerned this individual using another individual's electrical license and misrepresenting himself as an electrician. The most recent complaint again involves the same individual and very similar details. Although this individual is no longer licensed and therefore beyond the Board's jurisdiction, the Board believes that the Department should take it upon themselves to bring charges against this individual relating to misrepresentation due to the blatant and egregious attempt by this individual to again commit the same crime. As such, the Board voted unanimously to recommend to the Department that they personally pursue charges against the respondent in association with any other appropriate State Agency such as the State's Attorney's Office.

Mr. Bish stated that Mr. Maloney advised him that Mr. Lewis is now out-of-state in Florida and, as such, the State ends their involvement in this case. Mr. Bish stressed the Board's concern over the complainant using another contractor's license number. Mr. Maloney also stated that his Division is stepping up their enforcement efforts now that his investigative staff is back in full force.

11. New Business:

1. The Board established Friday, October 3, 2014 at 9:00 AM as the date they will meet to review all 2015 Electrical Continuing Education Course submittals. The Room location is to be determined. Mr. Vallieres stated that he will forward Mr. Kuzmich and answer key for test questions pertaining to the E-1 and E-2 License types along with the code calculations illustrating how these answers were derived. The document will be sent in both *Word* and *PDF* formats. Mr. Kuzmich will forward the *PDF* version to all the applicable approved providers by e-mail in conjunction with their notice of approval.

12. Comments or Concerns of any Person Present Today:

No one scheduled before the Board today. In addition, there were no additional requests from anyone present at today's meeting.

13. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 10:32 AM. (Bish/Silva) The next Regular Meeting of the Electrical Work Examining Board is scheduled for Friday, October 10, 2014 at 8:30 AM; State Office Building; Room 126; 165 Capitol Avenue, Hartford, Connecticut.

Respectfully Submitted,

Robert M. Kuzmich, R.A.
License and Applications Specialist